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**Subject:** action requested - HB 6 support letter  
**Date:** Saturday, June 08, 2019 10:11:45 PM  
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All,

HB 6, the bill preserving Ohio's nuclear plants, has been marked for a hearing in the state Senate on Wednesday. To emphasize the broad support around the state for this bill, we are hoping to have as many partners as possible sign onto the attached letter. We do not need signatures, just consent to have your name / organization listed.

Can you review this letter and let us know if you can be listed? We intend to deliver this letter to Senators on Tuesday at noon.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if you have any questions.

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[NAME]  
[ADDRESS 1]  
[ADDRESS 2]  
[CITY, STATE, ZIP]

[DATE]

Dear [NAME],

We, the undersigned, write today to express our support for House Bill 6 (HB 6), legislation that would promote in-state carbon-free energy generation, protect Ohio jobs and our economy, and result in lower monthly utility bills for Ohio homes and businesses. Now that the House has taken the critical first step in passing HB 6, the Senate must advance this vital legislation and help modernize Ohio's existing energy policy, which is flawed and in need of reform.

Currently, Ohio's energy policy fails to protect the state's largest and most reliable source of clean energy—nuclear power, which accounts for 90 percent of zero carbon emission energy produced in the entire state. Unlike natural gas or coal-fired plants, Ohio's two nuclear plants produce zero carbon emissions. They also do not emit other pollutants, such as sulfur dioxide or nitrogen oxide, which contributes to poorer air quality conditions that adversely affect the health and well-being of Ohioans. If the Davis-Besse and Perry nuclear plants are forced to close down and go offline prematurely, the energy that will almost certainly replace them will come from a less clean source, undermining our ability to lower our carbon footprint and limit air pollution.

While ensuring we remain on track to reduce emissions, HB 6 will also protect Ohio jobs and communities across the state. Ohio's two nuclear power facilities support 4,300 Ohio jobs either directly or indirectly—and they spend \$45 million with local vendors and suppliers, helping stimulate other areas of our state's economy and support businesses throughout the state. Combined, the Perry and Davis-Besse plants also pay upwards of \$30 million in state and local taxes, which goes back into supporting services like public schools, first responders, and other community services.

Furthermore, this legislation will help keep energy prices down for Ohioans—both by eliminating costly mandates that are currently factored into utility bills and by maintaining Ohio's energy diversity and energy independence. Without HB 6—and if these plants are taken offline early—the average residential electricity bill will increase and Ohio may even have to import costlier, dirtier energy from out of state.

HB 6 is absolutely critical in order to update our state's energy policy and preserve Ohio's largest source of emissions-free energy—not to mention protect thousands of local jobs, strengthen our communities and economy, as well as keep energy costs for Ohio homes and businesses low. Please help keep Ohio strong and pass HB 6 without delay.

Sincerely,

**From:** [Thomas, Alex](#)  
**To:** [Thomas, Alex](#)  
**Subject:** Final HB 6 sign on letter - please distribute  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2019 10:56:07 AM  
**Attachments:** [OCEJA - HB 6 support sign-on letter 6 11 19.docx](#)

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All,

Thank you for agreeing to be listed on the support letter for HB 6. The final version of the letter, with the list of signatories, is attached here. Hearings will continue this week in the Senate Energy Committee, so it is critical that Committee members see this letter from as many supporters as possible. If you can find a couple minutes this week, can you please email the attached letter to the following Senators?

Sen. Steve Wilson – [Wilson@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:Wilson@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Rob McColley – [mccolley@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:mccolley@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Sandra Williams – [Williams@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:Williams@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Andrew Brenner – [brenner@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:brenner@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Dave Burke – [burke@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:burke@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Hearcel Craig – [craig@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:craig@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. Matt Dolan – [dolan@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:dolan@ohiosenate.gov)  
Sen. John Eklund – [eklund@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:eklund@ohiosenate.gov)  
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Sen. Michael Rulli – [rulli@ohiosenate.gov](mailto:rulli@ohiosenate.gov)

Thank you so much for your continued support as we enter the final stretch of this effort. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Sub. H. B. No. 6 (2nd Hearing)

Name	Organization	Testifying As	
Tom Froehle	AEP Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Maria Korsnick	Nuclear Energy Institute	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Charles Moore	Alvarez and Marsal	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Matthew Scollisi	ACT Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Dean Murphy	Nuclear Matters	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Joe Price	Ohio Energy Group	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Kevin Murray	Industrial Energy Users Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Michael Shellenberger	Environmental Progress	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Judd Gregg	Nuclear Matters	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
David Moran	International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Josh Umrah	Vermont Selectboard Chairman	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Jerry Cirino	Lake County, Ohio-Commissioners	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Rebecca Clutter	Citizen of Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Ed Hanlon	Citizen of Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Dr. Peter Lyons	Nuclear Matters	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Jamie N. Belier Grant	Ottawa County Improvement Corporation	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Dan Horrigan	City of Akron	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Terry Joyce	Building Laborer's Union, Local No. 310	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Guy Parmigian	Benton-Carroll-Salem School District	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Mark Stahl	Ottawa County Commissioner	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Larry Tichner	IBEW Local 245	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Mark Douglas	Tri-County Building and Construction Trades Council	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Robert Freeman	Framatome Inc.	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
-	Ohio Clean Energy Jobs Alliance	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Fred Petersen	Ottawa County Emergency Management Agency	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Harold Hawk	Crown Battery	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Scott Miller	Sandusky County Commissioners	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Daniel Ponsman	Centrus Energy Group	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Richard Denning	Citizen of Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Michael Joyce	Orville Inc.	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Ed Kico	North Perry Village Ohio	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>
Jack Thompson	Perry Local Schools	Proponent	<a href="#">View &gt;</a>

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Ohio State Senate  
Energy and Public Utilities Committee  
1 Capitol Square  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

June 12, 2019

To the Members of the Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee:

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Sincerely,

Rick Amos, Perry Township Trustee  
Quinton Babcock, Mayor, Village of Oak Harbor  
Jerry Cirino, Commissioner, Lake County  
Mark Coppeler, Ottawa County Commissioner  
Gina Cottrell, President, Ellis & Watts  
Robert Dawson, Perry Township Trustee  
Richard Denning, Retired Professor, Ohio State University  
Don Douglas, Ottawa County Commissioner  
Dan Frederick, Milan Township Trustee  
Lew Galante, Chief Financial Officer, Perry Schools  
Jamie Beier Grant, Ottawa County Improvement Corporation  
Dorsey Hager, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Columbus/Central Ohio Building Trades Council  
John Hamercheck, Commissioner, Lake County  
Hal Hawk, CEO, Crown Battery, Ottawa County  
Stephanie Kowal, Executive Director, Ottawa County Department of Jobs and Family Services  
Ed Klco, Mayor, North Perry  
Steve Levorchick, Sheriff, Ottawa County  
Scott Marn, Councilman, City of Mentor  
James McDonald, Fire Chief, Perry Joint Fire District  
Steve Millard, President and CEO, Greater Akron Chamber of Commerce  
Sonny Nardi, President, Teamsters Local 416  
Jerry Nickoli, Milan Township Trustee  
Guy Parmigian, Superintendent, Benton-Carrol-Salem School District  
Robert Paro, President, Teamsters 1164  
Fred Petersen, Executive Director, Ottawa County Emergency Management Agency  
Robert M. Purgert, President, The Energy Industries of Ohio  
James Sass, Ottawa County Commissioner



Julia Schick, LakeTran  
Mike Shover, Milan Township Trustee  
Mark Stahl, Ottawa County Commissioner  
Nancy Steele, Perry Township Trustee  
Joe Tate, Owner, Total Energy Systems Technologies Inc.  
David Thomas, Auditor, Ashtabula County  
Jack Thompson, Superintendent, Perry Local Schools  
Brian Titus, Councilman, North Perry Village  
Larry Tscherne, Business Manager, I.B.E.W. Local 245  
Bryan Williams, Chairman, Summit County GOP  
Ron Young, Commissioner, Lake County

CC:

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